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The Humble ADDRESS

Of the Right Honourable the

Lords Spiritual & Temporal

In Parliament Assembled,

PRESENTED TO

HER MAJESTY

On *Friday* the Twenty second Day of *December*, 1704.

AND

Her Majesties MOST GRACIOUS ANSWER THEREUNTO.

LONDON,
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Die Veneris 22 Decembris, 1704.

IT is Ordered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Aſſembled, That the Lord-Keeper of the Great-Seal of England, *do give Order, that the Addreſs of this Houſe, Preſented to Her Majeſty this Day, and Her Majeſties moſt Gracious Anſwer thereunto, ſhall be forthwith Printed and Publiſhed.*

Math. Johnſon,
Cler' Parliamentor'

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Of the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal In Parliament Assembled.

Die Jovis 21 *Decembris*, 1704.

WE Your Majesties most Loyal and Obedient Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, having taken into Our Consideration divers Acts of Parliament lately Pass'd in *Scotland*, and duly Weigh'd the many Dangerous and Pernicious Effects which are likely to follow from thence, as well in respect to the Trade, as to the present and future Peace and Quiet of this Kingdom; have thought Our Selves indispensably Oblig'd, in Duty to Your Majesty and Our Country, to Proceed in the most Serious and Deliberate Manner, to Consider of the best Expedients for Preventing and Avoiding such great Evils.

And as in Order to this End, We are with all Diligence Preparing Bills, which in due time being Offer'd to Your Majesty in a Parliamentary Way for Your Royal Approbation, We Hope may Prove of good Effect; So We think Our Selves at present bound to Represent to Your Majesty as Our humble Opinion, That it is highly requisite for the Safety of this Your Kingdom, that Speedy and Effectual Orders should be given for Putting the Town of *Newcastle* into a Condition of Defence; And

for Securing the Port of *Tinmouth*; As alſo for Repairing and Strengthning the Fortifications of *Berwick*, *Carliſle*, and *Hull*.

We do likewiſe Beſeech Your Majeſty, to Cauſe the Militia of the Four Northern-Counties to be Diſciplin'd, and to Order the Neceſſary Care to be Taken for Providing them with Arms and Ammunition, that they may be in a Readineſs for Service upon Occaſion: And We do further humbly Adviſe Your Majeſty, That a Competent Number of Your Regular Troops may be Ordered to be Kept upon the Northern-Borders of *England*, and in the North-Parts of *Ireland*.

We do alſo humbly Offer to Your Majeſty Our Opinion, That in the Preſent Juncture of Affairs, it is requiſite Your Majeſty ſhould be Pleaſed to Direct the Laws to be Effectually put in Execution againſt all Papiſts, and Reputed Papiſts, and all Perſons Refuſing or Neglecting to Take the Oaths to Your Majeſty, in reſpect to their Arms and Horſes, and to Order a particular Account of what is done in Execution of Your Commands, to be laid before Your Majeſty in Council without Delay; to the End it may Appear what Perſons have done their Duty therein.

Her MAJESTIES moſt Gracious Anſwer to the Addreſs.

My LORDS,

I Shall Direct a Survey to be Made of the ſeveral Places mentioned in this Addreſs, in Order to Lay it before the Parliament.

What Forces can be Spared from their Attendance here, ſhall be Quarter'd upon the Borders, as they were laſt Year. I ſhall likewiſe give the Neceſſary Directions upon the other Particulars of Your Addreſs.

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